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Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, applicants are submitting herewith copies of the documents listed in the attached form equivalent to Form PTO-1449 for the Examiner's consideration.

This information disclosure statement is being submitted within three months of the filing date.

Each of the documents listed on the attached form equivalent to Form PTO-1449 is in the English language.

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